

**April 3, 2017**

**REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING**

**Call to Order/Roll Call** – Village President Susan Washa called this Regular Village Board meeting to order at 6:18 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following members present: Zach Washa, Chad Coyier, Tom Cody, Tony Kaster, Dennis Richgels, John Kreul and Susan Washa. Others present were Carl Thorsen of Scott Construction, Bruce Kovars, Tom Michek, Kurt Menke, Andy Skala, Tom Hebgen, Daniel Swinehart and Becky Fredericks.

**Certification/Compliance** – Clerk certified that notice of meeting was posted on March 31, 2017. Z. Washa motioned as to compliance with open meeting law. Kaster seconded. Motion carried.

**Public Input** – Carl Thorsen of Scott Construction wanted to address the board in regards to the missed sealcoating in 2016. Carl stated that by the time he received the contract it was after the big projects in the area and it wasn't considered for return when they were doing later projects since it was a smaller project. He wanted to apologize for the Village being missed last year and stated that he would like to still be considered for future projects.

**Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)** – S. Washa motioned to approve the March 6, 2017 Board Meeting minutes and the March 15, 2017 Park and Public Property Committee Meeting minutes. Cody seconded. Motion carried.

**Approve Agenda of Current Meeting** – Z. Washa motioned to approve the agenda. Kaster seconded. Motion carried.

**Authorize Payment of Bills** – Kaster motioned to approve payment of bills as presented: General Account \$47,298.54, Sewer Account \$20,740.20, Water Account \$20,960.61 and TID #2 Account \$8,041.29. Z. Washa seconded. Roll call vote "Aye": Kreul, Richgels, Kaster, Cody, Z. Washa, Coyier and S. Washa. Motion carried.

**Planning Commission Meeting – Approve/Deny Conditional Use Permit Recommendation** – S. Washa motioned to approve the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve a Conditional Use Permit to Bruce Kovars to operate a small engine sales and service center at 827 Main St. Z. Washa seconded. Motion carried with Cody opposing.

**Village President asked if there were any objections to move to item 9(a) due to Tom Michek present for this agenda item. Hearing no objections the board moved to item 9(a).**

**Spending Approval for Highland Fire District Concrete Driveway Project** – Tom Michek, fire chief, informed the board of the proposals received & opened on April 1<sup>st</sup> for the project as follows:

- Blackhawk Systems – \$15,800 (concrete only)
- Flynn’s Custom Concrete – \$21,913 (concrete only)
- Kevin Wienkes Construction – \$6,200 (excavation only)
- Riverway Trucking & Hackl Excavation – \$6,550 (excavation only)
- Midwest Concrete – \$28,000 (excavation & concrete)
- Shemak Excavation – \$5,430 (excavation only)
- Otter Creek Construction – \$31,625 (excavation & concrete)
- Wolfy’s Custom Concrete – \$19,939.50 (concrete only)

Kaster motioned to approve the project with a spending budget not to exceed \$25,000. S. Washa seconded. Roll call vote “Aye”: Coyier, Kaster, Kreul, Z. Washa, Cody, Richgels and S. Washa. Motion carried.

**Village President asked if there were any objections to move to item 8(b)(i) due to Andy Skala present for this agenda item. Hearing no objections the board moved to item 8(b)(i).**

**Discuss site for maintenance shed – take action, if necessary** – S. Washa contacted Andy Skala to have him attend the board meeting to discuss the possible acquisition of some land from the back corner of his property for the maintenance shed. With not knowing exactly the location of the shed and amount of land no decision was made – Public Property Committee will meet on Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. to take a look at the lot with Andy & Danielle Skala after Tom Hebgen puts in some stakes for the shed/lot.

**Return to Agenda Item 8(a).**

**Update on concession stand shelter:**

**Approve/deny moving forward with getting prices for final design and material costs for the park pavilion addition** – Tom Hebgen informed the board that he had received an email about grant monies that could possibly be used for the park project. He informed the board that the application is very lengthy and due May 1<sup>st</sup>. Kaster motioned to have Tom Hebgen move forward with getting prices for final design and material costs for park pavilion addition with labor quote to submit in for the grant application – labor quotes to be asked from Michek Masonry and/or Ed Fredericks Custom Homes. Coyier seconded.

**Approve/deny site prep for park pavilion addition** – S. Washa motioned to have Tom Hebgen work with Shemak Excavating to do site prep for the park pavilion addition. Richgels seconded. Roll call vote “Aye”: Kaster, Cody, Richgels, Coyier, Kreul, Z. Washa and S. Washa. Motion carried.

**MHTC Broadband Contract** – Concerns were addressed by the board members and Eileen Brownlee, village attorney, and an email was sent to John Dunbar for some answers however, no response was received. This item will be tabled for a future meeting.

**Approve/deny moving forward with getting design and specs for a municipal storage addition to the Village hall** – S. Washa motioned to have Tom Hebgen & Daniel Swinehart work on getting a design and specs for the May board meeting. Z. Washa seconded. Motion carried.

**Discuss power pole/street light between Gary Hach & Al Hach properties on Progressive Way – take action, if necessary** – Tom Hebgen informed the board that Gary had approached Tom and said it's dark on the corner so would like the village to put in a light on the pole that will be placed between his and Al's properties. The village board members felt that if Gary & Al wanted more light on their property then it would be their responsibility to install a dusk-to-dawn light or something because the spacing of the light poles on that street is the same as the rest of the village. Tom had talked to Tom Pinch about installing a light and Tom Pinch thought the light would cause the current lights to trip because they would be so close to each other. The board decided to take no action on this matter.

**Discuss sealcoating – take action, if necessary** – The Village board agreed to put an ad in the Dodgeville Chronicle asking for proposals for sealcoating. They are looking at 4 streets to be bid individually as follows: Dodgeville St (from Kennedy St to Tower Rd), Cardinal Dr, E Circle Dr and Isabell St (from Dodgeville St to Spring St). The board would like to request the companies bidding the project to check the streets and make recommendation of a street that might need more. Have the company include crackfilling in their proposals. Proposals will need to be submitted by 1:00 p.m. on Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup> and the Street Committee will hold a meeting at that time to open bids. The final decision will be made at the May board meeting.

**Our Town Discussion – take action, if necessary** – The board was informed that no music entertainment has been booked. After some discussion S. Washa will check and see if Chicken Truck would be available and how much, if available. If unavailable, then Z. Washa will get in contact with Adam Bartelles.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Economic Development** – Dennis and Susan met with Mark Tallman to discuss options for the Village. They all felt it would be beneficial to have him come to a board meeting or another core committee meeting when all members would be present.

**Law Enforcement** – Report submitted.

**Water** – Tom Hebgen informed the board that he will need to start doing more sampling. Becky Fredericks informed the board that the income surveys have come in and we met the 80% required returned but we are slightly short the 51% for low-to-moderate income with 50.79%. Courtney from Delta 3 said that if we could get 5-6 more that are under the income level that we would meet the 51% needed. Board members felt that they could get this done. Will get the surveys and envelopes from Courtney and board members can go door-to-door.

**Committee Reports (cont.):**

**Sewer** – Tom Hebgen informed the board that he is working with Bart Nies for the phosphorus levels and the next stage is to sample the wells to see what is % is natural. Tom also informed the board that he had attended a meeting that Larry Bierke, Iowa County Administrator, to see about applying for grants. The consensus of the operators in attendance was to wait and not apply. Tom then informed the board that there is a new DNR contact on this matter and she would like to see new plants which no one knows where this money will be coming from. Bart wants to submit in for a hardship. Tom will work further on this with Bart and keep the board posted.

**Streets** – Previously discussed.

**Parks** – The park shelter & bathroom roofs are completed. Susan Washa informed the board that the OM Chicken BBQ is set for May 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Public Property** – Nothing new.

**Fire District** – Previously discussed.

**Liquor/Operator Licenses** – None issued.

**Building/Zoning Permits** – None issued.

**Forthcoming Events** – LWMMI Policyholder Conference – May 11 & 12 at Chula Vista

**Correspondence Received** – Nothing

**Set May Board Meeting** – May 2, 2017 and subject to change.

**Adjournment** – Coyier motioned to adjourn at 9:53 p.m. Z. Washa seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Becky Fredericks, Clerk-Treasurer